



FIRST METALS INC.

Gloria Blue
Executive Secretary
TPSC
Office of the United States Trade Representative
600 17th Street, NW
Washington, DC20508

Re: Section 201 Proceeding on Certain Steel Products

Dear Ms. Blue,

First Metals Inc. is a Master Distributor of Stainless steel products and has been in business since 1978. As of 9/01/01 we are now part of the Valbruna Corp organization in the USA. The products we buy and sell are all Stainless steel including round bar, shapes including stainless steel angle, and plate.

I am writing this letter to ask for exclusion of stainless steel angle that is not produced domestically, namely $\frac{3}{4}$ " x $\frac{3}{4}$ " x $\frac{1}{8}$ " and all 4" angle sizes. The reference number is HTSUS 7222.40.30. I have attached the Slater Steel size range from their recent internet site which clearly shows that they as the only angle producer in the USA do not produce these sizes.

We are supporting the request of Acciaierie Valbruna S.P.A. in having these sizes excluded from the case.

We estimate the total consumption of this product to be about 4 million pounds per year with imports representing 100% of the supply. To the best of my knowledge Slater Steel or any other Stainless Steel producer have never made these sizes or is currently able to produce the sizes I have listed.



By excluding these sizes would have no negative effect on the domestic industry. First Metals Inc urges the President to exclude these items from the scope of any remedies imposed in this case

Respectfully Yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Edward T. Scott".

Edward T. Scott

President

Dated 11/30/01

Superior Craftsmanship

Produced with the same high quality and excellence, Slater hot rolled flats and angles are unequaled for quality and finish in the metalworking industries.

Used in a wide variety of structural applications, each angle is:

- Produced from 100% Argon/Oxygen refined stainless steel
- Highly corrosion-resistant
- Gleaming silver-white appearance
- Backed by the industry's experts on hot rolled production procedures

Range of Production

The following outlines the range of sizes, types, and limits to which Slater can perform in producing flats and angles.

Slater is able to produce the following sizes in angles in the Hot Rolled, Annealed and Descaled condition:

Flats are available Hot Rolled Annealed and Descaled as follows:

Thickness	Width
.25"	1" through 4"
.1875"	
.375"	
.5"	
.625"	
.75"	
.875"	
1"	

Sizes available in stock

Thickness	Leg Length
.125	1" X 1" through 3" X 3"
.1875	
.25	
.3125	
.375	

Angle Tolerances	
Leg Tolerance (length)	+ .125"
Weight Tolerance	+/- 7.5%
Right Angle Tolerance	+/- 2 degrees
Straightness or Camber	.125" in 5 ft.

We offer an extensive variety of stainless steels and special corrosion and heat-resistant alloys. These products are available in a wide range of sizes to accommodate your needs.

Available sizes:

Rounds 1" through 8"

Cold Drawn Shapes

Squares 5/8" through 2"

Hexagons 5/8" through 3"

Angles 1 x 1 x 1/8 through 3 x 3 x 3/8

Flats 1/4 x 1 through 1 x 4

Billets RCS 4" through 8"



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